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SUBJECT: DOLPHIN KILL

REF: STATE 150987

1. JAPAN FISHERY AGENCY OFFICIAL HAS EXPRESSED DISMAY AT RECENT ARTICLE IN WASHINGTON POST WHICH INDICATES JAPANESE FISHERMEN ARE STUDYING WAYS TO MARKET DOLPHIN AND MAY AGAIN BE CONSIDERING ANOTHER MASS KILLING. SIMILAR ARTICLE APPEARED IN PRESS HERE BUT, TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, WAS CONFINED TO ONE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER. FISHERY AGENCY IS ESPECIALLY CONCERNED WITH ADVERSE PUBLICITY NOW BECAUSE THIS MAY EXACERBATE PROBLEMS EXPECTED AT UPCOMING IWC MEETING DUE TO PREVIOUS KILL. OFFICIAL DOUBTS THAT KILL WILL OCCUR BUT HAS MADE IT CLEAR POSSIBILITY EXISTS BECAUSE GOJ CANNOT CONTROL ALL ACTIONS OF FISHERMEN.

2. AGENCY OFFICIAL IS QUITE CERTAIN THAT DOLPHIN MARKET CANNOT BE EXPANDED BEYOND FEW LOCAL VILLAGES WHERE, HISTORICALLY, CONSUMPTION OF DOLPHIN IS COMMON. DOLPHIN
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TAKE IN THESE VILLAGES HAS BEEN ABOUT 15,000 TO 20,000 ANNUALLY OVER PAST SEVERAL YEARS. HE INDICATED THAT MOST JAPANESE PEOPLE DO NOT LIKE TASTE OF DOLPHIN AND, IN HIS VIEW, WILL NEVER TURN TO DOLPHIN AS SOURCE OF FOOD.
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